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British steamship *Darien* for New Orleans, via Kingston, Jamaica, February 8, with 21 cabin passengers (12 for New Orleans) and 121 deck passengers for Kingston; living compartments only fumigated.

American steamship *Panama* for New York, February 8, with 101 crew and 75 cabin and 73 steerage passengers.

American schooner *Nimbus* for Mobile, February 9, with 10 crew and no passengers; holds and living compartments fumigated.

Norwegian steamship *Katie* for Mobile, via Limon, February 9, with 23 crew and 1 passenger; not fumigated, as the vessel was only three hours in the open bay.

American bark *Matanzas* for Port Arthur, Tex., February 10, with 12 crew and no passengers; holds and living compartments fumigated.

German steamship *Virginia* for New York, via Kingston, Jamaica, February 11, with 13 cabin passengers and 30 steerage for Jamaica, and 77 crew.

#### PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

#### *Report from Manila—Cholera and plague—Summary of quarantinable diseases for the year 1905—Inspection of vessels.*

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, January 6 and 11, 1906, as follows:

During the week ended December 30, 1905, quarantinable diseases were reported for the city of Manila, as follows: Plague, 1 case, 1 death; cholera, 2 cases, 2 deaths.

Quarantinable diseases were reported for the city of Manila during the calendar year 1905, as follows: Smallpox, 27 cases, 2 deaths; plague, 45 cases, 43 deaths; cholera, 254 cases, 225 deaths.

During the week vessels for United States ports were treated as follows:

On December 25 the American bark *Kokohead*, which remained in quarantine from last week, was released.

On December 29 the British steamship *Lothian*, with 50 crew, en route from Yokohama to New York and Boston, was granted a supplemental bill of health after the usual inspection. Miscellaneous cargo certified, 12,425 packages.

On December 29 the British steamer *Indrani*, with 56 crew, en route from Yokohama to New York, was granted a supplemental bill of health. All persons on board inspected at hour of sailing. Miscellaneous cargo certified, 10,923 pieces.

Week ended January 6, 1906: Cholera, 3 cases, 3 deaths.

#### *Cholera.*

The cholera situation in Manila has remained about the same as was reported several weeks ago. A few sporadic cases have occurred in the city. In almost every instance the disease could be traced to infection from the outside.

The situation in the provinces shows about the same number of cases, but the location is constantly changing. Cholera has practically described an entire circle of a radius of about 25 miles around the city of Manila. The disease commenced in Rizal Province and then crossed the lake into Laguna Province, then skirted the edge of Batangas, and

then it appeared in Cavite Province, and from there it spread to Bulacan and Pampanga, thus completing the circle.

From the foregoing it will be observed that the maritime quarantine has been entirely effective.

In view of the very few cases of cholera in Manila and their sporadic character, it was deemed advisable to still further modify the outgoing interisland quarantine which was placed upon vessels. A copy of the circular letter putting such modification into effect is inclosed herewith.

During the week vessels departing for ports in the jurisdiction of the United States were treated as follows:

On January 2 the British steamship *Changsha*, with 70 crew and 8 passengers, en route from Hongkong to Zamboanga, was granted a supplemental bill of health after the usual quarantine inspection at Mariveles.

On January 4 the British steamship *Algoa*, with 64 crew, en route from Hongkong to San Francisco, was granted a supplemental bill of health.

On January 5 the U. S. army transport *Logan*, with 178 crew, 133 cabin and 383 steerage passengers, was granted a bill of health for San Francisco. Crew and steerage passengers were bathed and their effects disinfected at Mariveles. Cabin baggage and cargo either disinfected or passed after inspection. Cargo manifests viséed. All persons on board inspected at hour of sailing.

#### PORTO RICO.

##### *Report from San Juan—Inspection of vessels—Mortality.*

Chief Quarantine Officer King reports, February 12, as follows:

Transactions at San Juan and the six subports during the month of January, 1906:

##### San Juan:

Vessels inspected .....	26
Bills of health issued .....	29
Vessels held in quarantine .....	4
Persons detained in quarantine .....	20

The vessels held in quarantine, but permitted to transact necessary business under guard, were the American steamships *Philadelphia* and *Caracas*, from ports of Venezuela and Curaçao, the Cuban steamship *Julia*, from Habana, other Cuban ports, and Santo Domingo, and the Spanish mail steamship *Antonio Lopez*, from Habana and Central and South American ports.

The health of this port continues good, and no quarantinable diseases have been reported. There are some cases of measles in this vicinity.

The reports from the subports show the following transactions during the month:

Mayaguez, 9 vessels inspected and 17 bills of health issued.  
 Aguadilla, 4 vessels inspected and 9 bills issued.  
 Arecibo, 4 vessels inspected and 6 bills issued.  
 Arroyo, no vessels inspected and 7 bills issued.  
 Humacao, no vessels inspected and 3 bills of health issued.  
 Fajardo, 5 vessels inspected and 5 bills issued.